

Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2022**

1 On page 1 of the printed A-engrossed bill, delete lines 5 through 27 and
2 delete page 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1.** ORS 336.851 is amended to read:

4 “336.851. (1) [*There is created the Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon**
5 **Digital Learning is created** within the Department of Education. [*The*
6 *purpose of the Oregon Virtual School District is to provide*] **The purposes**
7 **of Oregon Digital Learning are to provide:**

8 **“(a)** Online courses to kindergarten through grade 12 public school stu-
9 dents; **and**

10 **“(b) Professional development related to online learning to**
11 **kindergarten through grade 12 public school teachers.**

12 **“(2)(a)** [*The Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon Digital Learning**
13 shall provide online courses **to students** that meet academic content stan-
14 dards as defined in ORS 329.007 and **that** meet other criteria adopted by the
15 State Board of Education. Any person who teaches an online course **to**
16 **students** must be properly licensed as required by ORS 342.173 for a person
17 employed by a school district or education service district or properly reg-
18 istered as required by ORS 338.135 for a person employed by a public charter
19 school. All school districts and public charter schools may allow students to
20 access the online courses offered [*by the Oregon Virtual School District*] **to**
21 **students by Oregon Digital Learning.**

1 “(b) **Oregon Digital Learning shall provide professional development**
2 **to support school districts that provide online learning, including**
3 **professional development that will help school districts to identify and**
4 **support students who would benefit from online learning opportu-**
5 **nities.**

6 “(3) The Superintendent of Public Instruction may contract with:

7 “(a) Education service districts, school districts, public charter schools,
8 community colleges, public universities listed in ORS 352.002 or any other
9 public entity to provide online courses [*through the Oregon Virtual School*
10 *District*] **to students through Oregon Digital Learning.**

11 “(b) **Any public or private entity to provide professional develop-**
12 **ment through Oregon Digital Learning.**

13 “(4) Statutes and rules that apply to other school districts do not apply
14 to [*the Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon Digital Learning** except as
15 provided under this section or by rule of the State Board of Education. [*The*
16 *Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon Digital Learning** is not considered
17 a school district for purposes of apportionment of the State School Fund and
18 the department may not receive a direct apportionment under ORS 327.008
19 from the State School Fund for [*the Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon**
20 **Digital Learning.**

21 “(5) The board may adopt the rules necessary for the administration of
22 [*the Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon Digital Learning** and shall
23 adopt rules to establish:

24 “(a) The procedure and criteria to be used for the selection of online
25 courses to be offered [*through the Oregon Virtual School District*] **to stu-**
26 **dents through Oregon Digital Learning;**

27 “(b) The qualifications of students who may access online courses through
28 [*the Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon Digital Learning;**

29 “(c) The number of credits for which students may access online courses
30 through [*the Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon Digital Learning;** and

1 “(d) The student-to-teacher ratio for online courses offered through [*the*
2 *Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon Digital Learning**.

3 **“SECTION 2.** ORS 336.856 is amended to read:

4 “336.856. (1) The [*Oregon Virtual School District Fund*] **Oregon Digital**
5 **Learning Fund** is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct
6 from the General Fund. Interest earned by the [*Oregon Virtual School Dis-*
7 *trict Fund*] **Oregon Digital Learning Fund** shall be credited to the fund.
8 All moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of
9 Education for the administration of [*the Oregon Virtual School District*]
10 **Oregon Digital Learning** created under ORS 336.851.

11 “(2) Any moneys received by the department for the purpose of [*the*
12 *Oregon Virtual School District*] **Oregon Digital Learning** shall be deposited
13 in the fund.

14 **“SECTION 3. (1) The amendments to ORS 336.851 by section 1 of this**
15 **2019 Act are intended to change the name of the ‘Oregon Virtual**
16 **School District’ to ‘Oregon Digital Learning.’**

17 **“(2) For the purpose of harmonizing and clarifying statutory law,**
18 **the Legislative Counsel may substitute for words designating the**
19 **‘Oregon Virtual School District,’ wherever they occur in statutory law,**
20 **other words designating ‘Oregon Digital Learning.’”**.

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